

**Interoperability Outreach Manager  
Government Information Technology Agency (GITA)**

AS OF: 7/16/2008

**Position Summary**

This position will serve as liaison to all public safety interoperability stakeholders statewide, and must have significant background in and connections with the public safety community statewide.

**Duties and Responsibilities**

- Develops and implements plans for outreach to all jurisdictions and public safety constituencies statewide in support of the State's interoperable communication initiatives.
- Develops and maintains positive relationships, and facilitates meetings with a large variety of public safety constituencies and organizations around the state.
- Works with other State, federal, tribal and local agencies and non-governmental organizations throughout Arizona to promote interoperability awareness and ensure that opportunities and requirements for collaborative efforts are identified.
- Develops and implements a communication plan regarding public safety communications interoperability using diverse media strategies to facilitate understanding of complex technical and policy issues.
- Responsible for newsletters, published materials, informational website content, recorded public safety announcements, press releases and informational programs and activities.
- Prepares responses to requests for information from the Legislature and the Governor's Office.
- Represents the agency as directed in speaking engagements, panel discussions, or other public events.
- Identifies state, regional and local issues related to advancing interoperability and communicates and appropriately escalates issues in a timely fashion.

**Knowledge, Skills and Abilities**

- Knowledge of public safety community and first responder organizations.
- Ability to manage politically sensitive issues with tact and diplomacy and communicate complex information effectively at all levels of authority inside and outside of government.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills with the ability to speak in public before technical, political and public safety audiences.
- Ability to successfully initiate and maintain complex working relations with and across multiple groups with diverse agendas.
- Skilled in media relations and technologies, including working with media representatives and the public and event planning.
- Familiarity with public safety communications technology very desirable.

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**Qualifications**

- 5-10 years progressive experience with demonstrated ability to perform similar functions.
- Strong network of contacts throughout the Arizona public safety community.

**Additional Details**

All GITA positions are not covered under the State of Arizona merit system. Interested applicants should submit a resume along with a cover letter by August 22, 2008 to Barbara Nicholson, CFO by e-mail to [bnicholson@azgita.gov](mailto:bnicholson@azgita.gov) or by fax to 602-364-4799. Please no phone calls.

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